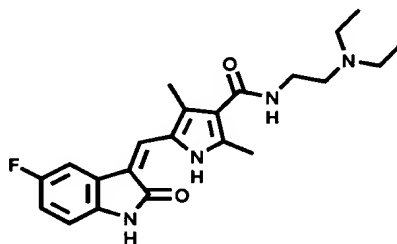


The Examiner asserts that Applicants are required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single disclosed species from whichever group is elected, even though this requirement is traversed.

Applicants hereby elect the species described in Example 80 on page 131, namely 5-(5-fluoro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroindol-3-ylidenemethyl)-2,4-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid (2-diethylaminoethyl) amide:



The Examiner has also required that Applicants list all claims that read on the elected species. Applicants believe that claims 1, 2, 8, 10, 11, 25, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36 and 49 - 51 read on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of this application. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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